

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 30, 1999

Mr. Brian G. Svoboda, Esq. Perkins Coie, L.L.P. 607 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-2011

RE: MUR 4710

Rubén Hinojosa for Congress and Vickie L. Winpisinger, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Svoboda:

On January 27, 1998, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Rubén Hinojosa for Congress and its treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

On March 22, 1999, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, information provided by you, and information on the public record, that there is no reason to believe your clients violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) or 441e in this matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

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If you have any questions, please contact Lawrence L. Calvert Jr., the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

BY:

Lois G. Lerner

Associate General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report